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ST. *James's Church* is finely situated, with Regard to the Prospect, on the North-Side of the Square; and if it had been built in a suitable Taste, would have appear'd most nobly, to fill the Vista, and add a Pomp to the whole View: But the Builders of that Pile did not trouble themselves much about Beauty, and, I believe, 'tis mere Accident, that even the Situation itself is so favourable.

We must now pass into *Piccadilly*, where we shall be entertain'd with a Sight of the most expensive Wall in *England*; I mean that before *Burlington-House*. Nothing material can be objected to it, and much may be said in its Praise. 'Tis certain the Heighth is wonderfully well proportion'd to the Length, and the Decorations are both simple and magnificent: The grand Entrance is auguſt and beautiful, and, by covering the House intirely from the Eye, gives Pleasure and Surprize, at the Opening of the whole Front with the Area before it, at once. If any Thing can be found Fault with in this Structure, 'tis this; that the Wall itself is not exactly on a Line; that the Columns of the Gate are merely ornamental, and support nothing at all; that the *Rustick* has not all the Propriety in the World for a Palace; and that the main Body of the Pile is hardly equal to the Out-side. But these may be rather Imaginations of mine, than real Imperfections; for which Reason I submit them to the Consideration of wiser Heads.

That Side of *Arlington-street*, next the *Green Park*, is one of the most beautiful Situations in *Europe*, for Health, Convenience and Beauty: The Front of the Street is in the Midst of the Hurry and Splendor of the Town, and the Back in the Quiet and Simplicity of the Country. 'Tis not long since too, that the whole Row was harmonious and uniform, tho' not exactly in Taste; but now, under the Notion of Improvement, 'tis utterly spoilt and ruin'd, and, for the Sake of the Prospect behind, the View before is disjointed and broke to Pieces.

'Tis impossible to survey the Ruins of *Devonshire-House*, without sympathizing with the noble Owner, in deploring its Destruction. Had his Grace's Servants recollected their Master's Motto, *Cavendo tutus*, it had still retain'd its antient Splendour; but, as they did not understand the Beauties of *Inigo Jones's* Architecture, so they were not concern'd for its Preservation. 'Tis our Happiness to have remember'd it as it formerly stood, great in Simplicity, and elegant in Plainness; and, as nothing could have been added to improve it, nothing could be spar'd; except the prodigious Number of Chimnies on Top, which were, indeed, a heavy, Gothick Incumbrance to the Whole. 'Tis surprizing, indeed, after this fatal Misfortune was over, and the Statue of *Britannia*, in the Pediment, had escap'd the Conflagration, that no one had the Precaution to secure it from farther Danger: 'Twas the only Aggravation that could take Place after so severe a Calamity, that this beautiful Piece was suffer'd to be destroy'd, for want of due Care to preserve it.

Between this and *Hyde-Park-Corner*, there is nothing more remarkable, except the Shops and Yards of the *Statuaries*; and sorry I am that they afford a judicious Foreigner such flagrant Opportunities to arraign and condemn our Taste. Among a hundred Statues, you shall not see one even tolerable, either in Design or Execution; nay, even the Copies of the Antique are so monstrously wretched, that one can hardly guess at their Originals.

I will not lay the Blame of this Prostitution of so fine an Art intirely on its Professors; no, I rather attribute it to the Ignorance and Folly of the Buyers, who, being resolv'd to have Statues in their Gardens at all Events, first make a wrong Choice, and then resolve to purchase their Follies as cheap as possible: This puts the Workmen in a wrong Taste of Designing, and hasty, and rude in Finishing: Hence Excellency is never thought of, and the Master, like the *Highwayman* in the *Beggars Opera*, is happy when he has turn'd his *Lead* into *Gold*.

I must confess, nothing is more amazing to me, than the Ignorance of most of our Gentry in the polite Arts, and in Statuary particularly; which is so flagrant, that, among the vast Number of Statues, which are to be seen in the Gardens of this Nation, 'tis almost a Miracle if you find one good one. Neither are we alone ignorant of the Art itself, but even of the Use of it too; for there are as few Statues well situated as chosen; and too many have Reason to blush both for the Figure itself, and the End it was design'd to answer.

Nothing can be more plain, than what is meant for Decoration should be beautiful in itself, and plac'd with Propriety too. What Excuse then can be made for the wretched Things which we see crowded on the Eye, that shock, instead of affording Entertainment?

In the first Place, therefore, a Statue should be good in itself; in the next, it should be erected to Advantage; and, lastly, it should, in its own Nature, be suited to the Place. To compleat an Area, end a Vista, adorn a Fountain, or decorate a Banquetting-House or Alcove, is the just and natural Use of Statues: Not to people a Garden, and make a Nuisance of what ought to be a Beauty.

Neither is every good Statue adapted to every Place: The Equestrian Statue of a Hero would suit but ill with soothing Falls of Water, and all the Softness of *Italian* Luxury; neither would the River-Gods become the Hurry and Pomp of a Nobleman's Court-Yard. Common Sense, one would imagine, would preserve us from Absurdities, like these; and yet there are so many Proofs to the contrary, that we cannot be too severe in our Censure, or take too much Pains to bring about a Reformation.

To return to our Subject; I have now finish'd one of my Walks from *Lincoln's-Inn-Fields* to *Hyde-Park-Corner*, and, according to Promise, am now to go back to *Temple-Bar*, in order to comment on the most remarkable Things in the Way to *Westminster*.

The first Thing I have to object to in the *Strand*, is the whole Body of Building that extends from the *Butcher-Row* to the *New Church*: Such a Street as the *Strand*, which is the grand Channel of Communication between two such Cities as *London* and *Westminster*, could not be too large and spacious; and without this Incumbrance, and that of *Exeter-Change*, this Street would have possess'd that Advantage, in a very eminent Degree; at least from the *Bar* to *York-Buildings*; and if it had not been adorn'd with noble and majestick Structures, it would however have been considerable for its Length, and Capacity of being improv'd: Whereas now it is incumber'd, at its very Entrance, in a most scandalous Degree, and, to mend the Matter, too, in Complaisance to the superstitious Custom of a due East and West Situation, they have crowded the Backside of the Church of St. *Clement's* into the Face of the People, if I may be allow'd the Expression; even tho' they had Room enough to build it otherwise, and prevent so capital a Nuisance. Neither does the Fabrick itself make any Amends for this Inconvenience, by its Beauty and Magnificence: There appears, to me, something very fantastick in the Steeple, something clunsy and too heavy in the Portico, and something poor and unmeaning in the whole Frame.

The *New Church* in the *Strand* is one of the strongest Instances in the World, that 'tis not Expence and Decoration that are alone productive of Harmony and Taste: The *Architect* of this Pile appears to have set down with a Resolution of making it as *fine* as possible, and, with this View, has crowded every Inch of Space about it with Ornament: Nay, he has even carried this Humour so far, that it appears nothing but a Cluster of Ornaments, without the proper Vacuities, to relieve the Eye, and give a necessary Contraste to the Whole: He ought to have remembred that something should first appear as a Plan or Model to be adorn'd, and the Decorations should be only subordinate to that Design; the Embellishments ought never to eclipse the Out-Line, but heighten and improve it. To this we may safely add, that dividing so small a Fabrick into two Lines or Stories, utterly ruin'd its Simplicity, and broke the Whole into too many Parts. The Steeple is liable to as many Objections as the Church, 'tis abundantly too high, and, in the Profile, loses all Kind of Proportion, both with Regard to itself, and the Structure it belongs to. In short, this Church will always please the *Ignorant*, for the very same Reasons that it is sure to displease the Judge.

SATURDAY, *Nov.* 17.

HIS Majesty has given express Orders for the Terras begun at the Queen's House near *Richmond*, by the late Duke of *Ormond*, to be carried on from thence along the River-side to *Kew*, which when finish'd will afford a most delightful Prospect the Country round, and be one of the finest Works of its Kind in the Kingdom. The Hon. *Richard Arundel*, Esq; Surveyor General of the Works, who prosecutes the Design, proposes to employ such a Number of Workmen, as to be able to compleat it by *May Day* next.

They write from *York*, that the Affair of Parliamenteering has occasion'd great Confusions in that City: That Mr. *Cholmley*, his Lady, and Lady *Wentworth*, going out one Night last Week in Mr. *Cholmley's* Coach, they were met by the Mob, and insulted to a very great Degree; their Servants were beaten cruelly, the Harnesses cut off from the Horses, and the Coach almost pull'd to Pieces. Whereupon the Lord Mayor has issued an Order, that no Persons whatever shall assemble in the open Streets after 'tis dark, above the Number of five in a Company, under a severe Penalty.

We have an Account likewise from thence of a very melancholy Accident that happen'd the same Week to a Fisherman and his two Sons. The Boys were with him in a Boat near *Nun-Monkton*, when one of them falling into the River, the Father immediately jump'd after him, in Hopes to save his Life; but the Boy fastening his Arms round the old Man's Neck, and being himself stupify'd with the Water and the Surprize, both of them sunk to the Bottom together; and suddenly rising again very near the Boat, the Boy that was in it catch'd at his Father, and taking fast hold of his Hair, was drawn into the River also. A Person who was fishing at some Distance from the Banks of the River, was a Spectator of the Catastrophe, but could not prevent it. When the Bodies were taken up, they found the last Boy with his Hand entangled in his Father's Hair, and the former fast clung round the poor Man's Neck.

The Gentlewoman lately taken into Custody by one of his Majesty's Messengers, and since examin'd at Mr. *Delafay's* Office, proves to be Mrs. *Hayes*, who in the Year 1725 was taken up for some illicit Practices, and committed to *Newgate*. This Gentlewoman has since render'd herself famous, not only for the Titles conferr'd upon her by a certain Gentleman abroad, but also for fomenting a Family Quarrel between her Benefactor and his Lady, which has made no small Noise in *Europe*. She remains still in a Messenger's Hands, and 'tis thought will be sent at Length to her old Lodgings.

Death. On Thursday died, at his House near *Old-Windsor*, *Thomas Hornby*, Esq;

MONDAY, *Nov.* 19.

His Majesty has been pleased to promise his most gracious Pardon to any Person who shall discover his Accomplice or Accomplices (so as he or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof) who assaulted *Thomas Chowne*, Esq; on Thursday the 25th of *October* last, about Eight o'Clock in the Evening, within three Doors of the House of his Uncle, *Thomas Andrew*, Esq; in *Great Ormond-street*, knock'd him down with the Butt-End of a Pistol, and cut him on the Head and Hand with Hangers in a barbarous Manner; and Mr. *Chowne* has promis'd a Reward of 50*l.* to the Person making such Discovery, to be paid upon Conviction of the Offender or Offenders, by *Thomas Andrew*, Esq; Uncle and Guardian to the said Mr. *Chowne*.

On Saturday Night last the Countess of *Albemarle* was safely delivered of a Daughter.

As was on Sunday Morning, of a Son, Mrs. *Vansittart*, of *Great Ormond-street*, Sister to the Lord *Gower's* Lady, and Daughter to the late Sir *John Stonehouse*, Bart. Knight of the Shire for *Berks*.

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To the AUTHOR *of the* WEEKLY REGISTER.

SIR,

I HAVE read with much Pleasure your four last Papers, which have, on examining your Reasons, convinced many of the Beauties and Absurdities in Architecture in most of our public Edifices; a Work all, who have that Taste, could wish pursued. The enclosed Measures were taken at a private Expence, and afterwards a very few printed, at the same, none published; and as they relate to two of the largest modern Fabricks in *Europe*, the one, St. *Peter's*; which (tho rais'd on different Designs, at several Times, and by as different Architects, all the greatest Ornaments of the several Ages in which they flourish'd) yet such is the Harmony and Proportion observed in all Parts thereof, that it is confessedly the most magnificent Pile since the Revival of Arts the World can boast; and, besides all the additional Beauty of a Variety of antient Marble of *Egypt* and *Greece*, improved by the Genius's of Builder and Sculptor, the Area before it, and Corridores on each Side, give us the due Distance, and at the same Time leave gradually to admire the several Beauties as we approach. Whether in Heighth, Length, Breadth, &c. both this and St. *Paul's* are in their just Proportion, by this Scheme may be seen; which is submitted to your better Judgment, whether fit for the Publick or the Flames.

I am, SIR,

Your unknown Admirer, A. B.

The Measures of St. *Peter's* Church are taken out of the authentick Dimensions of the best Architects of *Rome*, and compared upon the Place, with both the *Italian* and *English* Measures.

THE DIMENSIONS of St. *Peter's* Church at *Rome*, and St. *Paul's* Cathedral at *London*; as taken in the Year 1725.

The Dimensions of St. *Paul's* Cathedral are taken from several Prints engraved by *Tho. Platt*, *H. Hulsberg*, *J. Simon*, *B. Sens*, and *John Harris*.

The PLAN, or Length and Breadth.	ROMAN PALMS. St. Peter	ROMAN PALMS. St. Paul	FEET. St. Peter	FEET. St. Paul	Difference in FEET. Plan	Difference in FEET. Height
The whole Length of the Church and Porch	1000	685½	729	500	229	97½
The whole Length of the Cross	700	343	510	250	260	67½
The Breadth of the Front with the Turrets	500	247	364	180	184	40
The Breadth of the Front without the Turrets	300	151	318	110	208	41
The Breadth of the Church and three Naves	350	178	255	130	125	5
The Breadth of the Church and widest Chapels	500	147	364	180	184	6
The Length of the Porch within	300	68	218	50	168	5
The Breadth of the Porch within	55	27	40	20	20	9½
The Length of the Platea at the upper Steps	400	137	291	100	191	0½
The Breadth of the Nave at the Door	120	55	67	40	47	
The Breadth of the Nave at the third Pillar, and Tribuna	100	55	73	40	33	
The Breadth of the Side Isles	40	23	29	17	12	
The Distance between the Pillars of the Nave	60	34	44	25	19	
The Breadth of the same double Pillars at St. *Peter's*	40	13½	29			4
The Breadth of the same single Pillars at St. *Paul's*		13½		10		
The two right Sides of the great Pilasters of the Cupola	90	48:34	65:7½	25:35		
The Distance between the same Pilasters	100	54½	72	40	32	
The outward Diameter of the Cupola	260	199	189	145	44	13
The inward Diameter of the same	190	137	138	100	38	3
The Breadth of the Square by the Cupola	60		43			8
The Length of the same	450		328			10½
From the Door within to the Cupola	430	260	313	190	123	39
From the Cupola to the End of the Tribuna	230	233	167	170		40
The Breadth of each of the Turrets	140	48	77	35	42	6
The outward Diameter of the Lantern	50	24½	36	18	18	4
The whole Space, upon which one Pillar stands	8100	1200	5906	875		7
The whole Space, upon which all the Pillars stand	32400	9600	23625	7000		3

The HEIGHT.	FEET. St. Peter	FEET. St. Paul	ROMAN PALMS. St. Peter	ROMAN PALMS. St. Paul	Difference in PALMS.
From the Ground without to the Top of the Cross	437½	340	600	466	134
The Turrets as they were at St. *Peter's*, and are at St. *Paul's*	289½	222	597	304	293
To the Top of the highest Statues on the Front	175	135	240	185	55
The first Pillars of the Corinthian Order	74	33	102	45	57
The Breadth of the same	9	4	12	5	7
Their Basis and Pedestals	19	13	26	17	9
Their Capital	10	5	14	16½	2½
The Architrave, Frize, and Cornice	19	10	26	13½	12½
The Composite Pillars at St. *Paul's*, and Tuscan at St. *Peter's*	25½	25	35	34	1
The Ornaments of the same Pillars above, and below	14½	16	20	21½	1½
The Triangle of the Mezzo Relievo, with its Cornice	22½	18	30	24	6
Wide	92	74			
The Basis of the Cupola to the Pedestals of the Pillars	36½	38	50	52	2
The Pillars of the Cupola	32	28	44	38	6
Their Basis and Pedestals	4	5	6	6½	1½
Their Capitals, Architrave, Frize, and Cornice	12	12	16	16	
From the Cornice to the outward Slope of the Cupola	25½	40	35	54	19
The Lantern from the Cupola to the Ball	63	50	86	68	18
The Ball in Diameter	9	6	12	8	4
The Cross with its Ornaments below	14	6	19	8	11
The Statues upon the Front with their Pedestals	25½	15	35	20	15
The outward Slope of the Cupola	89	50	122	68	54
The Cupola and Lantern from the Cornice of the Front to the Top of the Cross	280	240	384	329	55
The Height of the Niches in the Front	20	14	27	19	8
Wide	9	5	12	6½	5½
The first Windows in the Front	20	13	27	17½	9½
Wide	10	7	14	9	5

On Saturday last Mr. *Harvest*, a Brewer at *Kingston*, was robb'd near *Putney* by three Highwaymen, of a considerable Sum of Money and other Things; on which he rais'd the Country and pursued them; at first they made towards *Guildford*, and afterwards having got clear of their Pursuers, robb'd another Man and bound him: The Persons who pursued them were told by the Man they had bound, that they went towards the Water-side, and there hearing they had left their Horses and taken Boat, several Persons got into Boats and went after them, and took them all three asleep in a Boat with their Pistols lying by them; they found the Money and Things upon them, and on Sunday they were confin'd in *Putney Round-house*, and Yesterday committed to the *New Goal* in *Southwark*.

Preferments. His Majesty has been pleased to create the Right Hon. Sir *Philip York*, Knt. Chief Justice of the Court of *King's-Bench*, a Baron of the Kingdom of *Great Britain*, by the Name, Stile and Title of Baron *Hardwicke*, of *Hardwicke* in the County of *Glocester*.——His Majesty has been pleased to grant to *John Collier*, Gent. and to *James Collier*, his Son, the Office of Usher and Cryer of the Court of *King's-Bench* at *Westminster*, in the room of *Richard Colinge* and *William Colinge*, Gentlemen, deceas'd.——*Charles Bowles*, Esq; Son of *William Bowles*, of *Windsor*, Esq; is made Prothonotary to the Dutchy of *Lancaster*, a Place worth 600 l. *per Annum*.——Last Week the Rev. Dr. *Buckley* was presented by the Dean and Chapter of St. *Paul's*, to the Living of the New Church of St. *Luke*, in the Lordship of the Parish of St. *Giles's*, *Cripplegate*.——The Rev. Mr. *Price*, is chosen Lecturer of the said Parish.

Deaths. Last Thursday died, at his House at *Knightsbridge*, *Philip Moreau*, Esq; possess'd of an Estate of near 50,000 l. The Bulk of his Estate devolves to his only Son *James Philip Moreau*, Esq; a Gentleman of a very worthy Character: He has left 5000 l. to his Daughter, *Elizabeth Hubert*, Relict of Col. *Hubert*; and 5000 l. to his Grandson, *Alexander Hubert*, Esq; besides 1000 l. to *Christ's-Hospital*, and 300 l. to the Poor of *Knightsbridge*, besides several other Legacies.—— Last Week died the Lady *Tyrawley*, Mother to the Right Hon. the Lord *Tyrawley*, a Peer of *Ireland*.——Last Friday died the Rev. Dr. *Littleton*, Fellow of *Eaton-College*, Rector of *Maple-Durham* in the County of *Berks*, and one of the Chaplains in Ordinary to his Majesty.——A few Days since died at *Honington* in *Warwickshire*, in the 19th Year of her Age, the Lady *Parker*, Wife of Sir *Henry Parker*, Bart. She was sole Daughter and Heir of Mr. *Simon Barwell* of *Leicester*, a Fortune of 12,000 l. Sir *Henry* married her from *Chelsea* Boarding-School in the Year 1728, at 14 Years of Age. She has left only two Daughters.

Bankrupts. Isaac Knight, late of *Bristol*, Merchant, deceas'd.——*Benjamin Turvile*, of the Parish of St. *Martin's in the Fields*, Hosier.

TUESDAY, *Nov.* 20.

Yesterday three Men were found almost burnt to a Coal upon the Brick-Kilns near *Marybone*: 'Tis suppos'd they were suffocated when asleep, or they might easily have remov'd before the Fire could have destroy'd them.

On Sunday Morning an Incendiary Letter was found, left under the Threshold of the House of *Linthwaite Farrant*, Esq; in *Great Knightrider-street* in *Doctor's Commons*, threatning that if he did not leave ten Guineas (lapt up in a Paper) in a Hole made between two Bricks, under the Office of Mr. *Brian Rushworth*, Register of the Arches, which was mark'd with two Chalks for that Purpose, that they would burn his House down to the Ground, and that if he escaped the Flames, they would shoot him whenever they had Conveniency so to do.

The same Night between Seven and Eight o'Clock, *Edward Hanbury*, Esq; Son of *John Hanbury*, of *Pont Pool* in the County of *Monmouth*, Esq; had the Misfortune to be thrown out of his Chaise on his Return to *London*, near *New-Cross* in *Kent*, the Horses running away; by which Accident he was bruis'd in so violent a Manner, that he died Yesterday Morning: He was a young Gentleman of 24 Years of Age.

The rich Ornaments in the *French* Chapel at St. *James's*, prepared for the Royal Wedding, are not taken down, as has been reported, but are carefully wrapt up in Cases to prevent their receiving Damage from the Weather.

Some Letters from *Harwich* say, that above 200 *British* Subjects have been lately landed there from *Holland*; they are Deserters from the *Scotch* and *Irish* Regiments in the *French* Service, whence they found Means to escape whilst the Army was set down before *Kehl*.

Preferment. Last Week Mr. *Rambouillet* was appointed Gentleman-Usher to her Royal Highness the Princess Royal.

Death. On Sunday Morning last about Two o'Clock died, of a Paralytick Illness, at his House in *Russel-street*, *Covent-Garden*, Mr. *Tankard*, an eminent Woolen-Draper, reputed worth 20,000 l.

WEDNESDAY, *Nov.* 21.

Yesterday a *Weymouth* Vessel laden with *Portland* Stone, lying at *Rotherhith* to be delivered, the Crew consisting of Capt. *Flew* the Master, two Sailors, and a Boy, it being late in the Day, and no Person appearing on board, the People employed at the Wharf opened the Hatches, and to their great Surprize found the Boy dead, the Master and one Man speechless, and ready to expire; but no Marks of Violence appeared on any of their Bodies, nor is it known what could cause so fatal an Accident; the other Mariner was not on board, nor has since been heard of.

The same Day Mr. *Harper* was brought up by a *Habeas Corpus* to the Court of *King's-Bench*, and after the several Arguments of the Council on both Sides, it was agreed, that Mr. *Harper* should be discharged out of *Bridewell*, on his own Recognizance, to appear the last Day of this Term; and an Action on a feigned Issue is to be tried, whether he is a Vagrant within the Statute of the 12th of Queen *Anne*, next Term.

A curious Equestrian Statue of the late King *William* is finish'd by Mr. *Van Nost*, at *Hyde-Park Corner*, which is justly esteem'd, by eminent Artists, superior to that at *Charing Cross*. It is to be set up at *Glasgow* in *Scotland*.

Yesterday the College Youths rang the long Peal at St. *Michael's*, *Cornhill*, of 7000 and odd Changes in some Minutes less than five Hours and a Half, which no Set of Ringers ever did in that Time: They design to try at the Peal of 10,000 Changes next Week, and endeavour to perform that in eight Hours and a Quarter.

On Friday last the Lady of *Thomas Clutterbuck*, Esq; one of the Lords of the Admiralty, and Member of Parliament for *Leskard* in *Cornwall*, was safely delivered of a Daughter.

Preferment. Yesterday the Rev. Mr. *Gibbon*, Curate of St. *Christopher's*, was unanimously chosen Lecturer of that Church, in the room of the Rev. Mr. *Cooper*, deceas'd.

Deaths. On Monday Night died, at her House in *Pall-Mall*, in the 68th Year of her Age, her Grace the Dutchess of *Ormond*, second Wife of *James*, late Duke of *Ormond*: She was the eldest surviving Daughter of *Henry*, Duke of *Beaufort*, by his Wife *Mary*, Daughter of the Lord *Capel*, beheaded in 1648, Sister to *Arthur*, Earl of *Essex*, and Relict of *Henry Seymour*, Lord *Beauchamp*, Son of *William*, Marquis of *Hartford*.——Yesterday died, at his House in *Grosvenor-Square*, Mr. *Lissemore*, an eminent Stone-cutter and Master-Builder, possess'd of an Estate of 1500 l. *per Annum*.

Bankrupts. *James Fitzgerald*, of the Parish of St. *Clement Danes*, in the County of *Middlesex*, Victualler.——*Thomas Jennye*, late of *Bury St. Edmund's*, in the County of *Suffolk*, and now of *Waltham in the Willowes*, in the said County, Grocer.

THURSDAY, *Nov.* 22.

Her Grace the Dutchess of *Ormond* has left 50 l. to each of her Servants who lived with her at her Death; and her Corpse is to be privately interred in *Westminster-Abbey*, according to her own Desire.

Yesterday there was an Appearance of about 200 Freeholders of the County of *Kent* residing in the City of *London*, at the *Crown* Tavern behind the *Royal Exchange*, which was not only considerable for its Number, but for the Quality of the Persons also; the Chearfulness, Zeal and Unanimity that appeared in the whole Assembly for Lord *Middlesex* and Sir *George Oxenden* to be Candidates for the County of *Kent* at the next Election, was more than common, and expressed with that Order and Decency as is usual in Companies of the best Rank and Condition.

The same Day the Trustees for settling the new Colony of *Georgia* in *America*, receiv'd a Letter from *James Oglethorpe*, Esq; acquainting them of the safe Arrival of the *Susanna*, Captain *Bailey*, that sail'd from the Port of *London* in *May* last; and also of the *Georgia* Pink, Captain *Dunbar*, which sail'd in *June* last; that all the Families that went on board the said Ships were in good Health, and that they had not lost one Soul in their Passage.

Captain *Flew*, Master of the *Weymouth* Vessel, as before-mention'd, to have been found expiring on Tuesday last (together with one of his Men almost in the same Condition, and the Cabbin-Boy quite dead) liv'd but a short Time after he was carried ashore. The Sailor however, by Means of Dr. *Bamber*'s Assistance, is likely to recover. All the Holes of the Ship having been stopt the Day before in order to keep out the Rats, and the Hatches being shut close, 'tis thought they were suffocated with the Smoak of the Fire in the Night, which perhaps had not been intirely extinguish'd when they went to sleep. The Sailor that did not lie on board that Night, is returned, and has given sufficient Proof of being ignorant of the Misfortune.

The Price of *French* Brandy is risen to 10 s. *per* Gallon, on Occasion of the War.

One of the three Highwaymen that were taken at *Putney* on Sunday last, was last Night before the Right Hon. Sir *William Billers*, Lord Mayor of this City, and has made himself an Evidence, and declared he will impeach all his Accomplices.

Baron *Starke*, Envoy Extraordinary from the Duke of *Holstein Gottorp*, has begun to negotiate about a Marriage between his Master and her Royal Highness the Princess *Amelia*: 'Tis said that if this Marriage takes Effect, his Highness will come over and settle in *England* with his intended Consort.

Advices from *Tunis* by the Way of *Genoa* take Notice of a *British* Vessel which lately put into that Harbour to claim the Bey's Protection. The Crew, it seems, have murder'd their Captain, and fell to cruising on the *Christians*; by which they have gain'd a considerable Booty, and are now all become true *Mahometans*, except a few, whom the Ring-leader holds in Chains for refusing to join them.

Preferment. *John Collier*, Esq; is appointed Surveyor General of the Riding Officers of the Customs in the County of *Kent*.

Deaths. On Monday the 5th Instant died *Edward Morton*, Esq; Auditor and Steward to the Lord Viscount *Weymouth*.—— On Tuesday last died in *Bartlet's-Buildings*, *Peter Lepipre*, Esq; eldest Son of *Peter Lepipre*, Esq; late an eminent Merchant in *Spittle-Fields*.——Last Monday died at *Brentford*, *John Lee*, Esq; a Gentleman possess'd of a plentiful Estate.

FRIDAY, *Nov.* 23.

Three of the Felons concern'd in the Robbery committed at *Paddington* upon Col. *des Romaine*, being taken last Sunday near *Putney* upon the River *Thames*, after having committed a great Number of Robberies upon the Highway in *Surrey*, they were carried before the Right Hon. the Lord *Palmerston*, when *Ralph Mitchell*, one of the said three Felons, made himself an Evidence against the other two, *viz.* *William Brown*, who was a Poulterer and lived in *Paddington*, and *Joseph Whitlock*, the fourth being yet untaken; for tho' *Veron Curtis*, the Colonel's Maid, swore to fix, there were but four in all; and it does not appear by the said Evidence that any Violence was offer'd her. His Lordship took a long Information, the Contents of which having been communicated by his Order to Justice *Deveil*, he went over Yesterday with Col. *des Romaine* and several other Persons from *Paddington*; and having got proper Search Warrants, the House of one *Cheney*, who lives in the *Mint*, was thoroughly examin'd, and the best Part of the wearing Apparel taken out of Col. *des Romaine*'s House was found in his Cellar, tho' he for some Time asserted they had no such Things. One of the Colonel's Pistols was taken upon *Ralph Mitchel*, and the other upon *Whitlock*. The four Thieves, the Night of the Robbery, left the House of one *Garrets*, a Brandy-Man in *Tyburn-Road*, about half an Hour after Six, having agreed to go directly and rob the King's Jeweller, Mr. *Chirac*; where being disappointed of an Entrance into his House, *Brown*, the Poulterer, who as beforesaid, had liv'd at *Paddington*, told the rest, that since they were baulk'd, there was an old *Frenchman's* House just by which they could easily rob, and where they succeeded, as has been heretofore related. *Brown*, it seems, is very like *Sutton*; so that the Colonel, in the Confusion he was in upon their entring his House, might easily make a Mistake.

On Wednesday a Search Warrant, and a Warrant to take up one *Edward Bodenham*, a Watchmaker and Alehouse-keeper at the *Ship* in the *Old Bailey*, were granted by the Right Hon. Sir *William Billers*, on the Oath of the aforemention'd *Ralph Mitchell*, and it appear'd that the said *Bodenham* had bought about 80 Ounces of the said Colonel's Plate, a Silver-hilted Sword, a very heavy Gold Watch, for about 24 l. of the said *Mitchell*, with whom he had dealt for a considerable Time before for stolen Goods, knowing them to be so; and that upon this Occasion he desir'd the said Evidence to be true to him, and not bring him into Trouble; and about a Fortnight after the said Robbery, he bought from the same Evidence and his Wife, Miss *des Romaine*'s Mourning Ring, with these Words writ at Length upon the Outside, *Anne des Romaine*. Whereupon he was committed to *Newgate* for feloniously receiving divers valuable Goods, the Property of the said Col. *des Romaine*, knowing them to be stolen. Col. *des Romaine* and Justice *Deveil*, who by Means of the Information made by the said Evidence, found out the said *Bodenham's* Practices, were present at the Examination taken before the Lord Mayor.

The Prince of *Orange* rested well on Wednesday Night; his Highness rises every Day, but does not sit up long: He has had nothing of a Fever for five or six Days past, nor any other ill Symptoms.

Yesterday the Officers of the Duke of *Cumberland's* Regiment, beat up for Recruits for the Lilliputian Regiment, and met with great Success.

This Day the Tickets issued out of the Lord Chamberlain's Office to the Quality and Gentry to see the Procession of the Princess Royal's Marriage, will be carried to the Stamp Office, where new ones will be stampt after a different Manner.

We hear that 900 Oxen, and 3500 Hogs, have been kill'd at the Victualling Office, for the Use of his Majesty's Navy, between the 18th of *October* last and the 18th Instant.

The Passage out of the *Park* to the Treasury and Secretary's Office, which has been stopt up some Time on Occasion of the pulling down those Offices, is now open again. The new Building is already carried up above half a Story from the Ground, there being above a hundred Workmen employed every Day, in order to have it finish'd with all Expedition. It is design'd to be a very beautiful Building of Brick, adorned with *Portland* Stone.

Last Monday in the Afternoon the Head of a Child about three or four Days old, was thrown up by the Water, and left on the Shore near *Whitehall-stairs*; it seem'd to have been cut off from the Body.

Last Wednesday Night, about Ten o'Clock, a Lighter belonging to a Waterman, in which were near 600 small Barrels of Raisins belonging to Mr. *Haywood*, a Merchant, took Fire by the Carelessness of the Men on board, and was let loose by *Billingsgate Dock*, to prevent Damage to the Ships: The Flames had like to have burnt part of the Bridge Houses, and sunk it near *Somerset House*.

A curious Ice-house is building in the Garden of Arlington-House, adjoining to St. *James's Park*, to keep Ice in for the Use of the Royal Family.

The following is an exact Copy of the Incendiary Letter sent to *Leathwait Farrant*, Esq; in *Doctors Commons*.

SIR,

I do strictly charge and command you by five o Clock this Night to put in a hole that is in the Wall the right hand side of the way, where the Chalk and Brick, one Chalke on the Brick above the hole and the other below the hole to put the same of ten Guineas without fail or else you must expect to have your House burned down and if you escape with Life you shall be shote the first time and opportunity we have of coming at you, and if you set any watch or dog us shall have the same fate by G—d, pray let it lay till fetch'd away by the Person that bespoke it: If you neglect it this time by G—d I will not send to you again till your House is in Flames; but if you do put it according to Ordor, and when received will send you a Receipt for the same, and do promise you that you never shall be sent to any more in this Manner, and give you the Watch Word, you never shall be robb'd whenever you go out of Town. Is all at present from

Your unfortunate humble Servant,

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Preferments. On Wednesday last his Majesty signed a Commission, appointing Capt. *Bendish*, formerly belonging to Major-General *Gore's* Dragoons, to be Captain of a Company in Major General *Sabine's* Regiment of Foot, in the room of Capt. *Pettit*.——The Hon. *John Fitzwilliams*, Esq; Brother to the Countess of *Pembroke*, is appointed a Cornet in the King's own Royal Regiment of Horse, commanded by the Earl of *Pembroke*, in the room of Capt. *Bembow*, promoted to be a Captain-Lieutenant in the said Regiment.

Deaths. On Saturday last died at *Malden* in *Essex*, *James O'Brian*, Esq; youngest Brother of Sir *Thomas O'Brian*, of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, Bart.——A few Days since died at the *Bath*, —— *Glover*, Esq; a Gentleman possess'd of a plentiful Estate.——Last Sunday died, at his Seat near *Dover*, *Thomas Mackland*, Esq; one of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of *Kent*.——Last Tuesday died in St. *Mary Axe*, Mr. *Doren*, an eminent *Hamburgh* Merchant.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Venice, Nov. 14. N. S.

THE Marquis *Monteleone*, Ambassador of the King of *Spain*, died here a few Days ago. On Sunday three Companies were imbarked to be sent to the Places of the *Terra Firma*. We have received Letters from *Constantinople*, dated the 14th of *October* last, importing, among other Things, that *Thamas Kouli Kan*, Generalissimo of the *Persians*, had assembled a numerous Army, and will hear nothing of Peace, unless the *Ottoman* Port restore all the Places taken from the *Persians*.

Warſaw, Nov. 9. N. S. Moſt of the Senators and Officers of the Crown, as alſo the Miniſters of the Emperor, *Ruſſia*, and *Saxony*, are preparing to go and meet King *Auguſtus* III. and accompany him to *Cracow*, to be preſent at his Majeſty's Coronation: They are to be eſcorted by 6000 *Ruſſians*. It is given out here, that a Party of 80 *Tartars* belonging to Prince *Wiſnowiſki*, having met a Detachment of 300 of the Palatine of *Kiow*'s *Tartars*, they attacked them, and put them to Flight, after having killed a great Number of them; but we have ſo many different Reports *pro* and *con*, that we know not what to believe; nay we cannot learn for certain where the Palatine of *Kiow*'s Army is: Some ſay it is marched towards *Sendomir*, to hinder the *Saxons* Approach to *Cracow*; others, that it is gone towards *Pruſſia*, to cover that Province againſt the *Ruſſians*. It is, however, indiſputable, that both Parties make incredible Havock, ruining and deſtroying the Eſtates of the Lords that are their Opponents.

Warſaw, Nov. 12. N. S. Two Days ago, General *Leſſe* received an Expreſs, with Advice that M. *Pociey* had attacked in *Lithuania* the great Convoy coming for *Grodno*; but that he had not ſucceeded in his Enterprize, the Convoy having got ſafe to *Grodno*. Yeſterday arrived a Reinforcement of a Regiment of *Ruſſian* Dragoons, and ſix Battalions, with 26 Pieces of heavy Cannon.

Dantzick, Nov. 14. N. S. Men talk of drawing a Line to ſhut in the Territories of this Town, and of fortifying it with Redoubts of Cannon, to hinder Foreign Troops from taking their Quarters therein. We are likewiſe told, that the Town of *Elbing* will be fortified, and a ſtrong Garriſon put into it. It is ſtill reported, that the *Tartars* have entered the *Ruſſian Ukraine*, to the Number of above 10,000 Men; and that they have obliged General *Wiſchatch*, who commands there, to retire: But this News is not probable, becauſe the *Tartars* never march in ſuch great Numbers.

Vienna, Nov. 12. N. S. On Thurſday laſt the States of *Lower Auſtria* opened their Aſſembly, with the uſual Formalities: Count *Sinzendorff*, Great Chamberlain of the Court, delivered to them the Emperor's Demands, and backed them with a Speech ſuitable to the preſent Poſture of Affairs: He told them, among other Things, That as deſirous as his *Imperial* Majeſty had always ſhewn himſelf to maintain the Peace of *Europe*, he found himſelf oblig'd to make a conſiderable Augmentation of his Forces, in order to baffle the Deſigns of his Enemies, who had unexpectedly invaded with an open Force not only his *Imperial* Majeſty's hereditary Provinces, but alſo thoſe of the Holy *Roman* Empire, *&c.* Mynheer *Hildebrand de Brandau*, Counſellor to the Chamber of the Court, ſet out a few Days ago for *Holland*, to negotiate (as we are told) five or ſix Millions. The Court has received an Expreſs from Prince *Philip* of *Heſſe-Darmſtadt*, Governor of *Mantua*, with Advice that the *French* and *Piedmonteze* Troops had already made themſelves Maſters of Part of the *Milaneze*, and ſeemed to have a Deſign to march towards *Mantua*, either to beſiege that Place, or block it up: Whereupon the Aulick Council have diſpatched freſh Orders to ſeveral Regiments in *Hungary* and *Tranſylvania*, to haſten their March to *Italy* as much as poſſible. Count *Taun*, Governor of the *Milaneze*, and General *Philippi*, lately the Emperor's Miniſter to the King of *Sardinia*, are ſhortly expected here. The Secretary of the *Sardinian* Embaſſy, who ſtaid behind at this Court, is ordered to depart. We hear the Marriage of the Duke of *Lorrain* with the Archdutcheſs, their *Imperial* Majeſties eldeſt Daughter, will be declared upon the Entrance of the new Year.

Paris, Nov. 28. N. S. They write from *Lyons*, that the Duke of *Liria* went through that City in a Poſt Chaiſe, in the Night between the 13th and 14th Inſtant, on his Way to *Italy*, to carry the News, that the *Spaniſh* Troops had embarqued, to the Number of 22,000 Men; and that the Remainder of the Horſe had begun their March by Land.

Orders are ſent to all the Intendants of Provinces, to enroll 100 Volunteers out of each Battalion of the Militia for four Years only, which will make 6000 Men; and they are to recruit the Army in *Italy*. They are to have 10 Livres a Man in Hand, and 20 more when they come there.

Three young Men having ſpent a Day laſt Week at a Tavern in the Village of *Montreuil* near *Verſailles*, they in the Night murdered the Man and Woman of the Houſe, and an old Footman of the King's, that boarded with them: When they had done this, they broke open ſeveral Locks, took the Money and Plate, and went away with it: On the Road they met a Man on Horſeback, whom they likewiſe murdered, and took the Horſe with them: But we hear they are all three taken with their Booty at *Mantes*.

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